

lishing standards or from establishing any relevant use.

“(iv) CONSTRUCTED WATER CONVEYANCES DEFINED.—In this subparagraph, the term ‘constructed water conveyance’ means a man-made water transport system constructed for the purpose of transporting water for agricultural purposes or municipal and industrial water supply purposes in a waterway that is not and never was a natural waterway.”.

After debate,

Pursuant to clause 4 of rule XIII, the previous question on the amendment and the bill was considered as ordered.

The question being put, viva voce,

Will the House agree to said amendment?

The SPEAKER pro tempore, Mr. WHITE, announced that the yeas had it.

So the amendment was agreed to.

The bill, as amended, was ordered to be engrossed and read a third time, was read a third time by title.

The question being put, viva voce,

Will the House pass said bill?

The SPEAKER pro tempore, Mr. WHITE, announced that three-fifths of the Members present had voted in the affirmative.

So, three-fifths of the Members present having voted in favor thereof, the bill was passed.

A motion to reconsider the vote whereby the bill was passed was, by unanimous consent, laid on the table.

Ordered, That the Clerk request the concurrence of the Senate in said bill.

§5.9 REPORT OF COMMITTEE TO NOTIFY THE PRESIDENT

“Mr. ARMEY addressed the Chair and said:

Mr. Speaker, your committee on the part of the House to join a like committee on the part of the Senate to notify the President of the United States that a quorum of each House has been assembled and is ready to receive any communication that he may be pleased to make has performed that duty.

The President asked us to report that he will be pleased to deliver his message at 9 p.m. tonight to a joint session of the two Houses.”.

§5.10 RUTH AND BILLY GRAHAM GOLD MEDAL

Mr. CASTLE moved to suspend the rules and pass the bill (H.R. 2657) to award a congressional gold medal to Ruth and Billy Graham.

The SPEAKER pro tempore, Mr. WHITE, recognized Mr. CASTLE and Mr. FLAKE, each for 20 minutes.

After debate,

The question being put, viva voce,

Will the House suspend the rules and pass said bill?

The SPEAKER pro tempore, Mr. WHITE, announced that two-thirds of the Members present had voted in the affirmative.

Mr. CASTLE objected to the vote on the ground that a quorum was not present and not voting.

The SPEAKER pro tempore, Mr. WHITE, pursuant to clause 5, rule I, announced that further proceedings on the motion were postponed.

The point of no quorum was considered as withdrawn.

§5.11 NOTICE REQUIREMENT—CONSIDERATION OF RESOLUTION—QUESTION OF PRIVILEGES

Mr. DOGGETT, pursuant to clause 2(a)(1) of rule IX, announced his intention to call up the following resolution, as a question of the privileges of the House:

Whereas, the inability of the House to pass an adjustment in the public debt limit unburdened by the unrelated political agenda of either party, an adjustment to maintain the creditworthiness of the United States and to avoid disruption of interest rates and the financial markets, brings discredit upon the House;

Whereas, the inability of the House to pass a clean resolution to continue normal governmental operations so as to end the abuse of American citizens and their hard-earned dollars, Federal employees, private businesses who perform work for the Federal government, and those who rely upon Federal services as a bargaining tactic to gain political advantage in the budget negotiations, brings discredit upon the House;

Whereas, previous inaction of the House has already cost the American taxpayer about \$1.5 billion in wasteful governmental shutdown costs, reduced the productivity and responsiveness of federal agencies and caused untold human suffering;

Whereas, the failure of the House of Representatives to adjust the federal debt limit and keep the nation from default or to act on legislation to avert another government shutdown impairs the dignity of the House, the integrity of its proceedings and the esteem the public holds for the House;

Resolved, That upon the adoption of this resolution the enrolling clerk of the House of Representatives shall prepare an engrossment of the bill, H.R. 2862, and the joint resolution, H.J. Res. 157. The vote by which this resolution is adopted by the House shall be deemed to have been a vote in favor of such bill and a vote in favor of such joint resolution upon final passage in the House of Representatives. Upon engrossment of the bill and the joint resolution, each shall be deemed to have passed the House of Representatives and been duly certified and examined; the engrossed copies shall be signed by the Clerk and transmitted to the Senate for further legislative action; and (upon final passage by both Houses) the bill and the joint resolution shall be signed by the presiding officers of both Houses and presented to the President for his signature (and otherwise treated for all purposes) in the manner provided for bills and joint resolution generally.

The SPEAKER pro tempore, Mr. WHITE, responded to the foregoing notice, and said:

“Under rule IX, a resolution offered from the floor by a member other than the majority leader or the minority leader as a question of the privileges of the House has immediate precedence only at a time or place designated by the Speaker in the legislative schedule within two legislative days of its being properly noticed. The Chair will announce the Chair’s designation at a later time.

“The Chair is not at this point making a determination as to whether the resolution constitutes a question of privilege. That determination will be made at the time designated by the

Speaker for consideration of the resolution.”.

§5.12 SADDLEBACK MOUNTAIN-ARIZONA SETTLEMENT

Mr. GALLEGLY moved to suspend the rules and pass the bill of the Senate (S. 1341) to provide for the transfer of certain lands to the Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community and the city of Scottsdale, Arizona, and for other purposes.

The SPEAKER pro tempore, Mr. WHITE, recognized Mr. GALLEGLY and Mr. FALEOMAVEGA, each for 20 minutes.

After debate,

The question being put, viva voce,

Will the House suspend the rules and pass said bill?

The SPEAKER pro tempore, Mr. WHITE, announced that two-thirds of the Members present had voted in the affirmative.

Mr. GALLEGLY objected to the vote on the ground that a quorum was not present and not voting.

The SPEAKER pro tempore, Mr. WHITE, pursuant to clause 5, rule I, announced that further proceedings on the motion were postponed.

The point of no quorum was considered as withdrawn.

§5.13 TECHNICAL CORRECTIONS TO NATIVE AMERICAN LAWS

Mr. GALLEGLY moved to suspend the rules and pass the bill (H.R. 2726) to make certain technical corrections in laws relating to Native Americans, and for other purposes; as amended.

The SPEAKER pro tempore, Mr. WHITE, recognized Mr. GALLEGLY and Mr. FALEOMAVEGA, each for 20 minutes.

After debate,

The question being put, viva voce,

Will the House suspend the rules and pass said bill, as amended?

The SPEAKER pro tempore, Mr. WHITE, announced that two-thirds of the Members present had voted in the affirmative.

Mr. GALLEGLY objected to the vote on the ground that a quorum was not present and not voting.

The SPEAKER pro tempore, Mr. WHITE, pursuant to clause 5, rule I, announced that further proceedings on the motion were postponed.

The point of no quorum was considered as withdrawn.

§5.14 H.R. 2657—UNFINISHED BUSINESS

The SPEAKER pro tempore, Mr. WHITE, pursuant to clause 5, rule I, announced the unfinished business to be the motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill (H.R. 2657) to award a congressional gold medal to Ruth and Billy Graham.

The question being put, viva voce,

Will the House suspend the rules and pass said bill?

The SPEAKER pro tempore, Mr. WHITE, announced that two-thirds of those present had voted in the affirmative.

Mr. GALLEGLY objected to the vote on the ground that a quorum was not present and not voting.